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IMPORTANT TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The largely increased cost of production of this journal during the past six months, due to the great and unprecedented rise in the price of paper and metals, which has almost doubled our printing charges, and which does not seem likely to diminish, makes necessary an increase of the yearly subscription rate to \$3 (\$3.75 to foreign countries—\$3.35 to Canada).

GOLDMAN GETS THE FRANCIA.

It is currently reported in art circles that the fine example of Francia, "Madonna and Child with Saints," reproduced in the Art News of Oct. 28, for which the Ehrich Galleries paid \$41,000, at the sale of Prof. Volpi's pictures at the Plaza Ballroom last Monday evening, has been sold by that firm to Mr. Henry Goldman, the well known collector.

MR. WIDENER BUYER OF BRONZE.

The buyer, at \$66,000 of the famous Renaissance bronze incense burner of Il Riccio, sold on the opening day, Nov. 21, of the Volpi sale at the American Art Galleries, is Mr. Joseph E. Widener of Phila. This work is considered by Dr. Bode "one of the most beautiful Italian Renaissance bronzes known to the world," and was made at the time when the maker was working with Donatello on the bronze doors of the Church of St. Anthony at Padua.

SCHOOL ART LEAGUE MEETING.

The annual meeting and luncheon of the School Art League will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria, Dec. 9. H. W. Watrous, Secretary of the National Academy of Design, will preside and there will be addresses by Charles Dana Gibson, Mr. George McAneny and the Rev. W. Warren Giles. An interesting feature of the program will be a number of three minute talks by pupils and teachers from the City Elementary and High Schools who have been helped by the School Art League.

M. ARSENE ALEXANDRE LECTURES.

M. Arsene Alexander, the art critic of the Paris Figaro, who has written his twenty Salons, arrived Nov. 23 on the Rochambeau, and lectured the following afternoon, under the auspices of the Institut Français and Etats Unis, at the Hotel Savoy, on "Le Genie Français Expliqué par les Grand Maîtres de Son Art." He lectured Wednesday aft'n, at the Metropolitan Museum, on Watteau, Boucher and Lancret.

KITSON'S BUST OF BERNHARDT.

A bronze bust of Sarah Bernhardt in "Buy Blas," by Samuel F. Kitson, has been on view in a show window of the Gorham Co., Fifth Ave. and 36 St. It is to be presented to the actress by a group of her admirers, in souvenir of this, her farewell, visit to America.

HOPPNER'S "MRS. CAREY."

The unusually fine and characteristic example of the work of John Höppner, the full length "Portrait of Mrs. Carey," reproduced on this page, was recently purchased by Mr. Benjamin S. Duke, of New York, from the Ehrich Galleries.

The picture hung for many years in Conover Hall, England, was later owned by Mr. J. H. Long, and is described and reproduced in McKay and Roberts' Work on Hopper.

The portrait in addition to its merits, as a work of art, and as an example of the early English master, has additional interest from the fact that the fair subject, herself an actress, was the mother of Edmund Kean, who was born seven years after the portrait was painted. Anne or "Nance" Carey, as she was better known, was the daughter of George Carey, and the granddaughter of Henry Carey, who wrote the words of "God Save the King." The transaction is the most important private sale thus far of the present season.

TITIANS (?) TO THOMPSON?

The report is current in art circles and is stated as a fact by the N. Y. Times that the two portraits, "Lavinia" and its pendant, attributed to Titian, and which sold at the upset price of \$25,000 each at the sale of Prof. Volpi's pictures in the Plaza Ballroom Monday evening last through Mr. Otto Bernet, as agent, were secured by him for Mr. W. B. Thompson, of this city.

FINAL WATER COLOR SALES.

The sales of the exhibition of the Water Color Club Exhibition, which closed Sunday, at the Fine Arts Building, amounted to about \$1,800. The following is the final list reported by Miss Richardson: Felice W. Howell, "Fishing Boats," \$100; W. M. Post, "A Pasture Brook," \$60; Martha W. Belcher, "Paris near Rue St. Jacques," \$40; Agnes Tait, "Come Away, Oh Human Child," \$40; H. W. Rubins, monotype, \$30; Kate A. Williams, "Rocky Neck Road, Gloucester," \$25; J. F. Burns, "Birch Trees," \$10, and John S. Keenan, "Silvery Foliage," \$10.

VOLPI SALE BUYERS.

Among the buyers at the recent Volpi picture sale whose names are new to the art public was the firm calling itself "Warwick House," whose galleries are at No. 45 E. 57 St. This firm purchased at the sale last Monday evening, they state for Western collectors, the Ghislain "Portrait of a Painter" for \$1,600, a "Portrait of A. Lomellini," attributed to Van Dyck, for \$4,100, Varatari's "Portrait of a Man" for \$75, a panel by Dirk Bouts for \$275, Peruzzi's "Self Portrait" for \$2,400 and the "Portrait of Carolus de Mallery," attributed to Rubens, for \$4,300. The firm consists of Mr. Frederick A. Soldwell, an architect, and Mr. Martin Hofer. They also bought a number of art objects at the afternoon sessions of the sale.

The Rhode Island School of Design at Providence, R. I., was also a large buyer, and secured a Triptych by Aretino for \$6,100, the fine example of Baisati "Portrait of a Man" for \$6,000, a Pinturicchio "Madonna and Child" for \$5,700 and a panel by Previtali for \$325.

The Ehrich Galleries secured the unusual example of Francia, by many considered the best picture in the collection for \$41,000.

The Kleinberger Galleries showed taste and discernment in its purchases, securing no less than eight fine works, comprising the fine Triptych by Bernardo Daddi for \$7,200, a Giotto school panel "Madonna and Child" for \$1,600, a Florentian Primitive School panel of the same subject, for \$1,050, two Burgundian School pictures for \$475 and \$900 respectively, an early Florentian carved and painted Triptych wood panel for \$3,000, a panel by Strozzi "Deposition from the Cross" for \$3,700, and a Fabriano (Gentile Massi) panel "Madonna and Child" for \$4,700.

There were few private buyers who gave their names, the majority of the buying being done by agents, but A. Kingsley Porter, G. K. Stetson, W. S. Greening, L. L. Jones, C. A. Fiske, Mrs. C. S. Lee, M. Woolley and Mrs. Benjamin Thaw each secured from one to two examples. The dealers Mordecai Benguiat, T. Brummer, S. Bourgeois and E. Erderheimer purchased, presumably for clients, the first, a two-leaf panel, attributed to Ghirlandaio for \$200, the second a Giotto School panel of "The Crucifixion" for \$1,050, the third a Tuscan Primitive "St. Paul" for \$1,050, and the last a "Portrait of an Italian Ambassador," attributed to Bassano, for \$725.

As is said elsewhere in the story of the picture sale, it was the first successful one of Old Masters, or reputed Old Masters, ever held in America.

The sale was concluded Tuesday afternoon at the American Art Galleries for \$10,278, making a grand total for the sale of \$944,192. Counting the exchange on American money in Italy and the greater buying power of money the value to the receiver is much greater.

From a monetary viewpoint it ranks fourth in the great art sales held in America.

The total of the Charles T. Yerkes sale in 1910 was \$2,207,866. The M. C. D. Borden sale, in 1913, brought \$1,244,725, and the Mary J. Morgan sale, in 1886, the first of the big public sales, brought \$1,205,153. The present sale, with its returns of \$944,192, comes fourth. Another big sale was the Henry G. Marquand, in 1903, with a total of \$704,259.

Some leading buyers.

Some of the finer things in the collection were purchased by Joseph E. Widener of Phila, Henry C. Frick, George Blumenthal, Stanley Mortimer, Louis C. Tiffany, James W. Ellsworth, Otto H. Kahn and Philip Lehman. The Metropolitan, Boston and Minneapolis Museums and the Rhode Island School of Design were among the public art institutions purchasing.

The Greek bronze statuette of the poetess Sappho also was a feature of the first day's sale, sold for \$15,000, to C. & E. Canessa, through Theodore Dreicer.

MUSEUM PAY INCREASED.

Because of the increased cost of living all employees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, whose pay is less than \$1,200 a year, will receive a bonus of five per cent. of their 1916 pay in December, and during 1917 a bonus of ten per cent., payable monthly.

Elizabeth Gowdy Baker has taken a studio in the Rembrandt, 152 W. 57 St., where she is at work on several portrait commissions.



MRS. CAREY

John Höppner

Sold by the Ehrich Galleries to Mr. Benjamin N. Duke

AMERICA IS PREEMINENT.

Lord Dabern, says a cable to the Sun, from London dated Nov. 22, on the second reading in the House of Lords of the National Gallery bill, extending the powers of the trustees to the sale of superfluous pictures, declared that in 1856, the date of the act now in force, England was the chief purveyor of works of art.

"Now the preeminence has passed to America," he said. "The great English collections, long the admiration and envy of the world, are rapidly being emptied of their chief treasures by the enormous fortunes of America.

"The trustees felt bound to take measures to retain in this country a small proportion of the pictures identified with England, the loss of which would be regarded in all civilized countries as conveying some loss of prestige."

TWO ACADEMIES TO UNITE.

The national Institute and local Academy of Arts and Letters applied Wednesday to the Supreme Court for leave to consolidate. At the meeting last week of the former, Frederick K. Bartlett, painter, Alexander Stirling Calder, sculptor, Cyrus E. Dallin, sculptor, Charles H. Niehaus, sculptor, and John Russell Pope, architect, were among those elected members.

TO FIGHT RANGER WILL.

Objections to the will of Henry W. Ranger, who left his entire estate of \$213,320 for the promotion of American art, were filed Tuesday in the Surrogates' Court by Miss Edith F. Ranger, sister, of No. 211 West 55 St. She claims that her brother was not mentally competent to make a will in January last.

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EXHIBITIONS NOW ON

Four Painters Show at Macbeths.

Two exhibitions are on at the Macbeth Galleries, 450 Fifth Ave., to Dec. 11. One consists of paintings of Monhegan and Gloucester types by Randall Davey and the other of works by Kenneth Hayes Miller, Benj. D. Koopman and J. M. Block.

Mr. Davey in his shore views at Monhegan displays rich true color, and a scrappy, incomplete method, notably in "The Town," and "The Harbor." In "Lobster Pots," there is a lapis-lazuli sea and a turquoise sky over distant mountains, which suggest Italy, and somewhat similar effects are found in "Sky and Rocks." The illustrations in oil of the Gloucester types (all the boys seem red headed) are remarkable chiefly for good portraiture and a life like surface sparkle. Two little girls appear likewise without any charm and a couple of frowsy men are "Lobsterman" and "The Drinker."

Mr. Koopman shows 10 works of poetic but rather uneven quality, and of the tonalist technique suggesting both Monticelli and Blakelock, and in one example "The Coat Maker," Bonvin. There is fine quality in the "Head of a Girl" and "The Hermit" and "The Blue Flower," is pleasing despite its indefiniteness. Among the landscapes with figures are to be noted "The Rider" and "The Vale of Indolence."

Mr. Hayes-Miller, with his curious nebulous effects shows a nobility of design recalling Blake. Among his 7 examples are "The Cloud," "The Family," "Mother and Children," and "The River," the last with a couple of graceful nudes.

Mr. George Ainslie has presented to the Omaha Friends of Art Society Frank C. Penfold's "The Ferry at Longpré."

Portraits by James Montgomery Flagg.

The illustrative quality is naturally most noticeable, in the clever group of portraits James Montgomery Flagg is showing to Dec. 9, at the Reinhardt Galleries, 565 Fifth Ave. Take for instance the somewhat aggressive picture of Booth Tarkington, in his study, cigarette in hand, and with the model of an antique ship sailing past the wall paper. Then there is the rubicund Irvin Cobb, painted with much gusto and too hot flesh tones, and without any accessories. A third male portrait is that of a fashionable youth, quiet in character, with stick in hand.

Mr. Flagg, who handles his paint in assured, if rather non-subtle fashion, presents several modish women who stand well out of the backgrounds and pose themselves with spirit. Among these are Mrs. Flagg, Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, Mrs. Henry Blossom and Miss Ethel Barrymore. The likenesses are good and the costumes well treated. Mrs. Blossom's scanty gown recalls the clever comment in a current farce, "Mrs. B. is looking at her best and barest."

Besides the oil portraits there are some capital sparkling watercolors, one showing one of the living equestrian statues at the Horse Guards in London, and another a guignol, on the Champs Elyseés in Paris. Unstinted praise can also be given to a group of charcoal drawings, among which are heads of Rupert Hughes, Jack Barrymore, James Moore Preston and May Wilson Preston.

Louis Loeb's Work Shown.

The late Louis Loeb had both the talent of poetic selection, and the technical equipment for proper expression. A sensitive touch, refined, attractive, and opulent palette, good modeling and excellent drawing make the display of his works, on to Dec. 9, at the new E. & A. Milch Gallery, 108 W. 57 St., singularly attractive. The painter was equally successful with landscape and figures.

The 14 paintings shown, range from the ambitious figure of the meditative "Eve," in which the flesh is handled with much skill, to the beautiful "Still Life," in quality like a Volland, with its jar and flagons. There are besides, sketches, studies and illustrations. The picture of the "Girl with Poppies," which won a third class medal at the Salon, appears, and so does the sympathetic "Little Man in Blue," with his bunch of violets. "The Cottage by Moonlight," has the quality of a Cazin, and "L'Allegro" is a spring landscape, with a fine stretch of uphill country, and a somewhat jarring foreground figure.

"Aurora of the Crescent" is decorative; "Jinette of the Bougs," an attractive pastel and "Antique Gossip," with its girl and turtle, gently humorous. There is clever painting in the "Man with Jug," though the subject is not over pleasing.

Mora Exhibition at City Club.

A brilliant little display of a dozen works by F. Luis Mora is on, to Dec. 16, at the City Club, 55 W. 44 St. It is sober and refined in the portraits of the artist's mother and little Natalie Beach; attractive in such examples as "Preparation for the Party" and "Our Mirror Corner," pathetic in the group of a widow and her two children on "The Seat Opposite" and gay in the ferr-boats group "Off for the Day." The largely handled Spanish scene "The Fortune Teller" recalls Zuloaga and there is much spirit in the portrait of the dancer Jeanne Cartier. A pleasing pastoral represents "The Passing Herd."

African Negro Sculptures Displayed.

An important exhibition of African negro sculpture, is being held at the Modern Gallery, 500 Fifth Ave. The inspiration of the 44 examples shown is neither nature nor art, but as in the case of the sculptures of Easter Island, their very ugliness and distortion have a certain fascination, which verges on the morbid. And as to nature unadorned, "September Morn," is a vision of utmost pulchritude compared to the figures shown.

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CHICAGO INSTITUTE DISPLAY.

With each succeeding year of the War, our exhibits of American painting grow more and more local in subject matter. The 29th annual exhibit now on at the Chicago Art Institute, is almost entirely made up of canvases done in native places. Americans who in other years worked in their foreign studios and regarded this country only as a probable market, are now showing work done nearer home. And in almost every case the work is the stronger for it. With Europe closed to them, they have established artist colonies here, which are coming to rival the foreign ones in popularity.

Though the painters may truly be said to have put such a community as Taos, New Mexico, on the map, this exhibit has served to introduce the district to any picture-lover who may have overlooked it before. Several members of the Taos artist colony are here represented. Among Walter Ufer's six canvases from there, the Martin B. Cahn prize of \$100 was awarded to his "The Solemn Pledge; Taos Indians," while Victor Higgins, who has three from Taos, won the same prize last year. O. E. Birnbaum, E. L. Blumenschein, Irving Couze, and Grace Raylin are others of the same colony who here evidence their love of brilliant desert sunlight, as it plays on Indian blankets, glistening black hair, and adobe huts.

Elliot Daingerfield, William Ritschel, E. B. Butler, and Edgar Payne have all revelled in the charm of California, along its southern coast or inland. Though Mr. Ritschel shows two stunning marines, one cannot fail to recall his California cypresses, especially on seeing the one by Daingerfield in this exhibit. DeWitt Parshall's "Harold's Canyon" is of a precipice over which the imagination leaps.

A Conservative Display.

The same conservatism of the whole collection is a quality, which is only apparent when one realizes the amount of radical work foreign exhibits always contain. It is rumored that the jury threw out a quantity of such material submitted. Of landscapes done in the eastern milieu, J. Alden Weir, William Wendt, Edward Redfield, Chauncey Ryder, Gardner Symons, Ben Foster and Wilson Irvine are representatives, in the sense that each has given that which we have come to expect from him. Of interesting country sides, purely local in flavor, J. Elliot Colburn, W. S. Robinson and H. D. Murphy have good examples. But there are some few canvases, altogether lovely, no matter where they were done. Chief of these are the dripping, dewy "Rejuvenescence" of Laurence Mazzanovich, Carl Lindin's "Winter Night," and a strong work by Ettore Caser.

Though the exhibit as a whole has more good material done "en plein air," there are figure-pieces which are worthy of more than this brief mention. Martha Walter's "Breezy Day" is done with dash and Frieseke's flat, pattern-like effects are admirable in technique. Of portraits which are faithful to character, there are those by Seyffert, Lesser, Barnett, Brush, Clarkson and Cecil Clark Davis.

Background not Suitable.

Many of the canvases suffer from the cool, gray tint of the walls of the new Gundaulus wing. Rich, dark compositions which heretofore were brought out by a maroon velvet wall, now resemble holes when seen from a little distance in the new galleries. It is unfortunate, because only those pictures of positive colors now hang exceedingly well. The rooms being low-ceilinged, the eye-line has been lowered until one gets an absolutely wrong view of many of the canvases.

Supremely indifferent to all such drawbacks of display, so trying to many of the pictures is William M. Chase's "Sunlight and Shadow" which hangs in the place of honor, as a memorial to an artist who has passed the final Jury. Dorothy Q.

Fifty paintings by the late Thomas Hill are on view at the San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts.

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DETROIT.

Much interest has been evinced in the J. W. Alexander Memorial Exhibition now on at the Detroit Museum in connection with 21 canvases by Jules Guerin, and a collection of paintings by Lawrence Mazzanovich.

The annual Scarab Club Exhibition for Michigan Artists is now on. Through the courtesy of Messrs. D. M. Ferry, Jr., Henry G. Stevens, William P. Stevens, Ralph H. Booth, and R. H. Weber, prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25 will be awarded for the three best pictures by resident Michigan artists, regardless of subject or medium. A Hopkins Memorial prizes of \$75 and \$25 will be awarded for the best paintings in oil, painted in 1915 by resident artists in Detroit. These prizes are contributed by Mr. Wm. C. Weber. The Julius Rolshoven prize will be awarded for the best painting of a head in oil, awarded by the vote of the Scarab Club. This prize is open to resident Michigan artists.

During the exhibition a separate room is devoted to the recent work of Julius Rolshoven, paintings of California and New Mexico. Delightful additions to the permanent collection of the Museum are E. W. Benson's "Portrait of My Daughter Elizabeth," purchased from the fund presented by Mrs. W. R. Kales, Messrs. Philip and Paul Grey, and "The Flight of Night," by Paul Mansfield, the gift of Dr. and Mrs. Walter R. Parker.

E. M. Q.

Sculptures by Chester Beach and wood engravings by Henry Wolf are now on view at the John Herron Institute in Indianapolis.

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CHICAGO.

The Butler Room in the Art Institute is a popular rendezvous for local art tourists, and perhaps the recent purchase of Inness canvases by the Reinhardt Gallery has something to do with a noticeable increase of visitors to the gallery where Mr. Butler's gift of 16 examples of the American master hang. The recent Reinhardt purchase includes 22 paintings which have been in the possession of the Inness family since the death of the artist. This is the largest collection of Innesses ever sold privately, and the family consider their quality as "of the best" in several of the artist's periods.

The Artists' Colony, near "The Midway," is holding its first exhibition of their season at the studio of Chester Leich, who has installed a number of his mezzotints and etchings including several Venice scenes. Charles P. Larson is in line with decorative etchings of trees; J. Blanding Sloan shows scene designing for the Players' Workshop, several dry-points, etchings and aquatints. Margaret Rhodes and Florence Hendershopt display examples of photographic art.

Thomas Whipple Dunbar is giving an exhibition of 200 landscapes by American painters at the Congress Hotel. There's a "Waning Moon" by Gardner Symons; "Misty Moonlight" by Charles Davis; and "Overhanging Boughs" by the late Henry Ranger. Among other artists represented are: Paul Dougherty, C. Cooper, C. W. Eaton, Ballard Williams, W. L. Lathrop, Dewing, Metcalf, Tryon, Mrs. Coman, R. C. Minor and Emil Carlsen. The exhibition falls far short in its representation of American painters, but is excellent as far as it goes, and carries some of the best work of some of the represented artists.

In Dealers' Galleries.

At a local gallery there is an exhibition of etchings by Lee Hanky, and groups of paintings by Arthur Davies, Walt Kuhn and other American "modernists." At another local gallery there are paintings by Blue Ridge artists, and a remarkable collection of Rolkin pottery recently shipped from Birmingham, England.

Nancy Cox MacCormack's statuette "Clay" included in the Current annual display, at the Art Institute has been selected by "The Brothers of the Book" as their annual purchase.

H. Effa Webster.

Young Library Sale.

Part II of the remarkable library of books inscribed by authors, collected by Mr. James Carleton Young of Minneapolis, is on exhibition at the Anderson Galleries and will be sold in four afternoon sessions beginning Monday, Dec. 11th. Nearly every volume is a first edition, each book contains an inscription by the author, and in many cases these are bibliographical, autobiographical, or historical, and therefore of great interest and importance. Among the hundreds of distinguished authors represented are Aldrich, Barrie, Bourget, Clemens, Daudet, Dumas, Fiske, France, Hardy, Howells, Hugo, James, Kipling, Maupassant, Roosevelt, Rosstrand, Verlaine, and Zola.

THE art of the Chinese master Craftsman is shown at its best in the collections of Antique Chinese porcelain, exquisite carvings of jade, coral, amethyst, carnelian, rock crystal, agate, aquamarine, cinnabar lacquer objects, antique hangings, brocades and velvets, finely carved and gold lacquered wood interiors, etc., now on exhibition.

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WASHINGTON.

The New National Museum, a gift of Mr. Charles L. Freer, of Detroit, Michigan, is now under construction in Washington. It forms one of the "Smithsonian" group, and is to be used exclusively as the home of the American National Collection, the gift of Mr. Freer to the nation. This is said to be the finest collection of ancient Chinese and Japanese art in existence, consisting of 4,000 objects and covering a broad scope, but at the same time, one of harmony, and unity of thought, connecting ancient with modern art, for seven Americans greatly influenced by oriental art are included in this collection, represented by about 1,000 examples, four-fifths of which are by J. M. Whistler. It is a collection containing magnificent specimens of Egyptian, Persian, and far eastern pottery. Hindu and Persian miniatures, sculpture, etc. This rich gift contains also the far famed Peacock Room now in Mr. Butler's gift of 16 examples of the American master hang. The recent Reinhardt purchase includes 22 paintings which have been in the possession of the Inness family since the death of the artist. This is the largest collection of Innesses ever sold privately, and the family consider their quality as "of the best" in several of the artist's periods.

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H. Effa Webster.

At the Scott & Fowles Galleries

Freer's Detroit residence, this to be re-erected in the Museum. Mr. Freer asks that no admission fee be charged, and the privilege be given to all to study freely the objects contained in the building, having the old world idea of making art education accessible to all.

The exhibition of works by Old Masters, now on at the Arts Club, will be followed by an exhibit of small oils by club members, to open Dec. 2.

C. C. C.

AMONG THE DEALERS.

Mr. Arthur S. Vernay, who recently purchased 10 E. 45 St., on Nov. 23, bought 12 E. 45 St., which he now occupies. The two buildings will be altered for the firm's business.

An exhibition of paintings by Claude Monet will open in a few days at the Durand-Ruel Galleries, 12 E. 57 St.

Mr. G. Walzer, of the San Giorgi Galleries, in Rome, returned a few days ago, on the Dante Alighieri, after a four months' stay in Italy.

BOSTON.

Mrs. Anna Coleman Ladd's gay and serious, imaginative and gardenesque, warlike and portraiture sculpture are shown at the Guild. "The Painter Friends," are still holding forth at Vose's, while the Museum has surpassed itself by offering six different exhibitions at the same time. One sees at the Copley Gallery Hudson's trees and landscape effects, also Charles A. Aiken's clever portraits in aqua-relle—a unique and individual showing.

It is currently reported that the Museum has acquired a large Zuloaga canvas of a family group portrait, containing five or six well characterized and indubitably Spanish individuals. To the layman it resolves itself into a "big" study in gray and black.

A new work by Edmund C. Tarbell, shown at the Guild, has divided honors with the Ladd sculptures. This canvas with two figures—half life size—seated by a table



PEKINESE AND DOG FOO
Maud Earl

in a pretty summer cottage room, is as technically able as this painter has ever "made 'em," and with that subtle beauty that is Mr. Tarbell's distinctive gift.

"The Modernists," as the painters at the St. Botolph Club have been labelled, continue to attract almost unlimited attention from those who go to scoff and those who go to pray in the Inner Temple of Boston's (masculine) art culture. Brookline, Mass., the pride of Boston's heart! is revelling in a loan collection "of its very own" in the Public Library. It is composed of 12 modern American examples, chosen with some judgment—and the "expensive" names attached to the frames guarantee its value, financially.

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Work was started on the erection in Vernon Park, Germantown, Nov. 22 of the monument commemorating the settlement of the suburb, now part of the 22nd Ward of the city, by Francis Daniel Pastorius and his German compatriots. The monument, designed and modelled by Albert Jaegers and approved by the Art Jury in June, 1913, will be a credit to the community. The leading features of the design include an allegorical female figure crowning the monument, one hand resting upon a globe the other upon a shield. The face of the shaft has for decoration, the figure of a German pioneer, and bas-relief's of settlers and Indians appear on the pedestal.

At a meeting of the Art Jury Nov. 24, Mr. Joseph E. Widener was elected president succeeding Mr. Charles Custis Harrison who recently resigned from that office. Mr. John Frederick Lewis, appointed to fill a vacancy on the jury, was in attendance and took part in the consideration of the revision of the plans of the new Art Museum to be erected under the supervision of the Commissioners of Fairmount Park.

A tentative construction consisting of a pedestal standing upon a balustraded platform on the east bank of the Schuylkill River, has been set up by the executors of the Ellen Philips Samuel Memorial bequest and upon this there will be placed a statue of one of the historic characters, as provided for by the will, in order to judge of the effect, before proceeding with the whole work extending to Girard Avenue Bridge.

The handsome remodelled premises occupied by the Rosenbach Galleries were thrown open to public inspection Nov. 24. Well lighted rooms for the exhibition of prints and etchings, others for paintings, a Medici Salon, containing many examples of Cinquecento Art, another decorated in the style of the brothers Adam and furnished with numerous pieces executed in the taste of the same period, and a special room wainscotted to the ceiling in rich dark woods and artificially lighted for the more convenient examination of the stock of engravings, arranged in concealed panels back of the wainscot, give to the whole establishment a really artistic ensemble.

Eugene Castello

PENNELL'S MUNITIONS DRAWINGS.

The corporation of London has acceded to the request of the Ministry of Munitions that the drawings of Joseph Pennell of the work in munitions factories and foundries be shown in the Guildhall. After they are shown in London they will be taken to the chief cities of England and then to Petrograd, Rome, Paris and New York.

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ART AND BOOK SALES.
NOTICE TO BOOK AND ART COLLECTORS.—The American Art News, having competent representatives at all art and literary auctions of importance, to record prices and buyers for its lists, is prepared to execute orders at a moderate charge, for the purchase of books, prints, pictures, art objects, etc., at such auctions.

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THE VINDICATION OF VOLPI.

If any evidence were wanting of the short memory and volatile temperament of the American people, and especially of the American art loving and buying public, it is furnished by the result of the sale, approximately for nearly a million dollars last and this week of the art treasures from Professor Volpi's Florence Davanzati Palace and his Villa Pia residence in the Italian city.

This result, unexpected even by the auctioneers when the collections were first brought them for sale, and presumably by the owner himself, while the art objects and pictures were of more than ordinary rarity and value, and while the sale was advertised with

accustomed adroitness and liberality of space by the auctioneers, was chiefly due to the present abundance of money in the community, and to the high prices brought at the early sessions of the sale, which produced an excitement in social, as well as art circles.

Intelligent observers, whose memories need only reach back a year, are recalling the fact that last Autumn Professor Volpi, an elderly man of attainment and position in his native land, and an eminent authority on early European art—through whose Gallery have passed many of the greatest pictures in the most noted American private collections, was virtually a prisoner, when he first visited these shores, on Ellis Island, there detained by the Immigration authorities on a serious charge involving his morality, as seen from the American official viewpoint. From this duress and charge, he was only released through the quick and decisive action of the Italian Ambassador at Washington. At the time, the very dailies which have been publishing long and laudatory stories of the Volpi sale and of Prof. Volpi himself, were publishing stories of his detention and the unfounded charges against him.

Further, when after Prof. Volpi had left Ellis Island, and modestly showed to the art world the fine pictures he had brought with him, there was a shrugging of shoulders in art circles, an indisposition to accept some of the paintings as valid, and Prof. Volpi failed to sell his pictures and returned to Italy last Spring, a discouraged and disappointed man wondering "what manner of men" were the Americans.

Happily now Prof. Volpi has been vindicated—not personally, for he needed no vindication of his private life and character, but as to the worth of his possessions. The incident is not a creditable one for Americans to contemplate, but perhaps it was to have been expected after the experience of Admiral Dewey—hailed as a hero after his return from Manila in 1898, and his name publicly hissed six months later, because he chose to sell a house in Washington which had been presented to him, as he could not afford its upkeep.

A year and a half ago the American people were howling themselves hoarse over the murden of their countrymen, women and children on the "Lusitania." Even the name of that ill-fated boat is hardly ever mentioned now in press or public assemblages, and still a quarter of one per cent. of American voters, returned to power on Nov. 7 President Wilson, who declared he would hold those responsible for the Lusitania's sinking, to account.

For years Americans have criticised the French for their lightness of character and volatile hysterical temperament. France—which has given and is giving the most sublime example of calm resolute courage under the fiercest trials any nation ever encountered. Let us be honest. Let us "cast out the beam from our own eye" before we attempt to "remove the mote" from that of others. Prof. Volpi has unconsciously, through his experience here, given Americans a convincing object

lesson of their now great and growing failings—those of volatility, lack of seriousness, save in money getting, and conveniently short memories.

is the function of an honest journal to tell the truth—even if at times this sometimes hurts.—Editor.]

The Engravers "Havell" Honored.

Editor AMERICAN ART NEWS.

Dear Sir:

The article by George Alfred Williams in the current issue of the "Print Collector's Quarterly" on "Robert Havell, Jr., Engraver of Audubon's 'The Birds of America,'" is attracting wide attention. Mr. Fitz Roy Carrington, editor of the "Quarterly," and Curator of Prints at the Boston Museum, as well as Mr. Williams, have received a number of letters especially appreciative of what is considered one of the most important pieces of Americana to appear in some time.

With the recent high prices obtained at the Halsey sales for prints by the Havells, interest in these men and their splendid aquatints is brought once more to the fore. The various authorities on engraving make quite plausible mistakes regarding the work of Robert Havell, Sr., and Jr., and it is to Mr. Williams' article the collector may look for definite information.

"The Genealogical Chart of the Havell Family," that accompanies Mr. Williams' article, leaves no doubt as to the placing of not only the two Roberts, but the numerous other Havells, all of whom were identified with some form of art activity during the early 19th Century. The most important contribution Mr. Williams makes to the history of engraving is the fact that it was the son Robert Havell, Jr., and not the father, Robert Havell, Sr., who engraved "The Audubon Birds."

It is also interesting to learn that Havell, Jr., became a representative American citizen, who played his part in the development of art in this country. He was connected, in 1847, with the American Art Union, and was authorized as agent in the United States to receive subscriptions for its funds.

Print Lover.

Boston, Nov. 27, 1916.

MR. KAHN'S ART ADDRESS.

That enlightened and benevolent patron of music, the drama and the fine arts, Mr. Otto H. Kahn has just had published by the Shakespeare Tercentenary Celebration Committee, his pertinent and informing remarks, on "Art and the People," delivered at the dinner, on May 4, 1916. As Mr. Kahn truly says: "In this great country, with its vast mixture of races, all thrown into the melting pot of American traditions, climate and surroundings, there is the raw material of a splendid artistic development."

And this Mr. Kahn with his taste, his time and his fortune has contributed most intelligently to further.

SAN FRANCISCO'S EARLY DAYS.

The publisher's announcement and specimen pages of Michael Williams' "Old San Francisco," to be issued by Mr. Hill Tolerton, gives promise of an exceptionally well printed and illustrated work. It will be issued in the summer of 1917, at the publishers' Print Rooms, 540 Sutter St., San Francisco. It will be "A Study—Both Historical and Psychological of the Most Personal and Romantic of American Cities." Among the specimen illustrations are Sansome St. in 1850, a colored plate; Mission Dolores, 1860; the fire of 1851, the Cunningham Wharf; the corner of Montgomery and California Sts. in 1853; and a reproduction of Dero's early colored view of the city, published in Paris by L. Turgis. The title page and headband designs are by Ray F. Coyle, after old Spanish motifs, and Maynard F. Dixon is to contribute sketches of old San Francisco characters and types. There will be a bibliography of works relating to the City by Boutwell Dunlap. The work is to be in two volumes printed on Kelmscott hand-made paper and set by hand in 14-point Caslon cast from the original font made by William Caslon in 1722. There will be issued a limited edition, the subscription price of which will be \$50.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Catholina Lambert.

The many friends of Mr. Catholina Lambert will regret to learn of the death on Monday last at his residence "Bella Vista" castle near Paterson, N. J., of Mrs. Lambert, after an illness of some months.

Mrs. Lambert, who was a woman of exceptional sweetness and beauty of character, well proven by the sympathy and aid she gave Mr. Lambert in his recent financial troubles, was the widow of Dr. James Bibby of New York when she married Mr. Lambert 12 years ago. She leaves a son, Dr. Harry L. Bibby of New York.

FOR YOUNG DECORATORS.

The theme of the fourth competition of the Friends of Young Artists, which is for decorators, is "A Decorative and Appropriate Panel for Lobby of a Theatre." It was selected by Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney.

LONDON LETTER.

London, Nov. 24, 1916.

As you have probably learned by cable long ere this letter reaches you, another notable Romney portrait has just left England for the States, namely the famous picture of Lady Grantham painted about 1780, and one of the gems of Lord Lucas' collection at Wrest Park. The new owner is Mr. John McFadden of Philadelphia, who already owns a number of notable works of the English school. I hear that every well known owner of Romneys is constantly approached, by the fraternity of dealers, with tempting offers to buy their examples of the early English master, for there is practically an unlimited demand for good Romneys and excellent prices can always be obtained for any that come into the market.

The former Lord Mayor (for the office changed hands a few days ago) gave an admirable example of public spirit last week, by presenting to the Church of St. Mary-le-Bow a fine portrait by Godfrey Kneller of one of its former rectors, Dr. Samuel Bradford. In making the presentation he expressed it as his opinion that it was the duty of every citizen to return to the City all pictures intimately connected with the life of the past and so to prevent their exportation across the water. Unfortunately the question of purchase-price looms more important in the eyes of the majority than does that of public spirit.

Miss Knox's Water Colors.

The Carfax Gallery has opened its Winter Season with an exhibition of water-colors by Miss Madeleine Knox, a lady who certainly possesses a more than usually

ART AND BOOK SALES

FINAL SALES OF VOLPI ANTIQUES.

The fourth session, Nov. 24, at the American Art Galleries of the sale of the Prof. Elia Volpi collection of antiques realized \$144,985 for over 160 catalog numbers, which brought the grand total to \$615,680.

P. W. French & Co. gave \$16,000, for a Flemish late XV century marriage tapestry. They also secured for \$5,500 an antique rose and green Asia Minor rug; for \$3,000 a Flemish XV century verdure tapestry panel; for \$900 a Tuscan XVI century walnut cabinet; and for \$700 a Flemish XVI century tapestry, "The Triumph of Prudence." For the "Doria" XVI century Spanish carpet, Mr. Otto Bernet, agent, paid \$14,500.

The Duveen Brothers gave \$6,000 for two Florentine XV century Sgabello walnut stools. Among their other purchases were: Umbrian XV century walnut table \$4,100; \$3,400; Venetian XV century walnut table \$4,100; two Italian XVI century globes, \$3,400; Venetian XV century walnut table \$3,200, and five Italian XVI century "Savonarola" chairs, \$1,950, \$1,500, \$1,400, \$950 and \$800 respectively. Mr. R. A. Plimpton paid \$2,800 for an Italian XVI century iron and brass fald stool. To Mr. David Belasco went, at \$2,350, a Florentine XV century walnut enclosed chair, and to Mr. Alfred Villoresi for \$2,300, a Florentine XVI century writing cabinet. Mr. R. Daniels paid \$2,200 for an Umbrian XVII century table. A Tuscan XVI century Tuscan walnut table brought \$1,750 from Mr. J. K. Branch. Mrs. Keller paid \$1,650 for a Florentine XVI century walnut center table and Mr. Bernet,

total up to \$733,824. Mr. Williams paid \$3,700 for a Florentine XVI century cabinet. C. and E. Canessa gave \$2,570 for an Italian XVI century bronze inkstand. Miss Paul paid \$7,100 for an Italian XIV century fire guard and Mr. E. T. Williams \$1,310 for an Italian XIV century iron candle and \$1,000 for a Murano XVI century rose colored blown glass. The Duveen Brothers paid \$1,270 for an Italian XIV century wrought iron candle stand and Mrs. Keller, \$1,000 for an Italian XV century open air iron brazier.

The session on Tuesday aft'n brought \$10,278, which made the grand total of the sale of the antiques \$744,002, and of the whole sale with the pictures, \$94,192. The highest price of the last session was \$870 paid by Miss Lorenz, agent, for a Venetian XVI century lace table cover. She also gave \$700 for another example of the same period. Mr. Philip Berolzheimer gave \$420 for twenty-seven XVIII century hand towels and Mr. A. Rudert, agent, \$240 for a Venetian wooden doll, and \$210 for a XVI century linen sheet. A XV century jewelled cross was sold during the afternoon, for the benefit of the Italian Red Cross Society to Mrs. Putnam Lee for \$560. It was presented by Prof. Volpi to the recent bazaar and the purchaser then offered it for resale.

FRANCHEVILLE'S "APOLLO"

The illustrations on this page give four views of the beautiful statue of Apollo, by the early French sculptor Pierre Francheville (1548-1618), also known as Pietro Francavilla, from his having, during his

VOLPI PICTURE SALE.

The first picture auction sale of importance of the season, and the first really successful public one of Old Masters ever held in America, that of 61 canvases from the collection of Prof. Elie Volpi of Florence, Italy, removed from his Davanzati Palace and the Villa Pia in that city, took place in the Plaza Ballroom Monday evening last, and resulted in a total of \$200,190, an unlooked-for sum, and one that, despite the general excellence of the works offered and the superior quality of the Francia, and a few others, would hardly have been obtained, had it not been for the great success and the high figures of the preceding six afternoon sales at the American Art Galleries of Prof. Volpi's furniture, tapestries, art objects and antiques.

Prof. Volpi, for years a noted Italian authority and through whom came a number of the finest Old Masters in American private collections during the past few years, has reason, when contemplating the success of his sale, to smile cynically when he recalls his inhospitable reception when he came over last year, his detention at Ellis Island on a false charge of immorality, his speedy release through the Italian Ambassador at Washington, and the after-decrying by dealers and art writers of his pictures, now sold so well and the lack of interest by collectors in them. Truly great are the uses of advertising and surprising the volatility of the American art public.

Mr. Thomas E. Kirby, who conducted the sale of Monday evening, found a capacity audience and a ready response to his request for bids for last year's sneered-at and despised works. Even the two fine canvases, attributed to Titian, which were



APOLLO
Pierre de Francavilla (Francavilla)

Sold by Jacques Seligmann & Co. to a N. Y. collector.

keen sense of the essentials of her craft. The woman-painter of today is studiously avoiding the sentimentality, which distinguished the work of her sister of ten years past, and in her attempt to detach herself from the shortcomings, which detracted from the endeavours of days gone by, is in danger of going to the other extreme by producing an art which is lacking in direct human appeal. The result is work which gives but little personal point of view, but which, at the same time, presents Nature pictorially and with a certain subtlety of touch. Miss Knox is undoubtedly an artist of sufficient interest to warrant a "one-woman" show of this kind, but at the same time one looks forward to her development a few years hence, when her grip on life and on art must assuredly have strengthened and widened.

Art Auctions Past and to Come.

The announcement that Christie's are to sell very shortly the collection of modern pictures and drawings belonging to the late Mr. W. Y. Baker, recalls one of the romances of latterday commerce. Mr. Baker began life at a salary of six shillings a week, working twelve hours a day. He gradually worked his way up from the lowest rung of the ladder until he eventually became a partner in and, later on, proprietor of the business in which he had been so humble an employee. He had a genuine love of beautiful things and in forming his collection, he relied very largely upon his own judgment.

L. G.-S.

agent, \$1,500 for a XVII century Ladik prayer rug.

The fifth session, Nov. 25 resulted in a total of \$80,900, which brought the grand total up to \$696,605. The Florentine XV century wood bust by Rossellino, reproduced in the ART NEWS of Nov. 18, brought \$17,900 from Mr. Bernet, agent, after a spirited competition with C. & E. Canessa and P. W. French & Co. A polychrome stucco bas-relief of the Virgin and Child, of the School of Donatello, brought \$8,500 from Mr. W. W. Seaman, agent. Mr. Bernet, agent, gave \$4,100 for a seated figure of the Virgin, attributed to Rossellino, and \$3,800 for a polychrome stucco, bas-relief of the Virgin by Donatello. The Minneapolis Museum paid \$3,750 for a XV century majolica pitcher. Miss Lorenz, agent, secured, for \$3,700, a portrait bust in stucco, of Petrarch, and for \$3,100 for Arnolfo's marble half-length of the Virgin. Mr. Nicholas Martin gave \$3,250 each for a XIV century majolica bowl, and an Orvieto XIV century majolica pitcher.

The Metropolitan Museum secured a number of objects, among which was a polychrome terra-cotta tabernacle with the Virgin and Child, by Il Maestro della Cappella, at \$2,300. For a Siennese polychrome carton alto-relief of the Virgin and Child it paid \$1,700. Mr. C. Crancay gave \$1,700 for one Italian half suit of armor of the XVI century, and \$1,600 for another.

At the session on Monday afternoon \$37,969 was realized which brought the grand

lifetime, worked in Bologna with Giovanni Bologna.

The statue is one of the latest and most important additions to the art treasures owned in this country, as it was recently sold by M. Jacques Seligmann, of Paris and New York, to a prominent New York collector for the Patio of his recently completed and beautiful uptown mansion.

The statue is considered the finest and most representative work of Francheville, and is said, on the authority of a description in the eighth volume of "Seric delle Uomini illustri," published in Florence in 1774, to have been executed for the courtyard of Signor Averardo Salviati, a wealthy Florentian art patron.

It was removed in the perfect condition in which it remains by M. Spiridon to Paris, who sold it there to M. Seligmann, for a price, it is reported, of \$200,000.

Fracheville, after he had acquired a great reputation in Italy was summoned back to France by Henry IV, and was installed in the Louvre where he executed a number of works, among them the "Time Carrying Away Truth," placed in the Tuilleries. He also made the four bas reliefs for the pedestal of the statue of Henry IV on the Pont Neuf, Paris. Other examples of his work are to be found in Italy.

Robert Hamilton and Mrs. Hamilton, who painted in the Berkshires, during the summer and autumn, after a few days in N. Y. will go on a New Jersey sketching trip.

greatly doubted last year and dubbed "The Volpi Titians," and which were offered at an upset price of \$25,000 each, were actually sold through Mr. Otto Bernet to a New York collector, said to be Mr. W. B. Thompson.

The real prize of the sale, the splendid example of Francia, "Madonna and Child with Saints," went to the Ehrich Galleries for the good price of \$41,000, it is reported for Mr. Henry Goldman. The Rhode Island School of Design was quite a heavy buyer, as were also the Kleinberger Galleries, which last secured a number of the best works. The doubt felt as to the attributed Botticelli was evidenced by the comparatively low figure of \$7,000, for which it went to Mr. Seaman as agent for some collector.

Some of the good sales were of the Gentile Massi, for which the Kleinberger Galleries paid \$4,700, the Pinturicchio to the R. I. School of Design at \$5,700, the Strozzi to the Kleinberger Galleries at \$3,700, the Ferdinand Bol copy of Rembrandt's self-portrait, to Bernet, as agent, for \$3,500, the superb example of Baisati (an Italian Holbein), to the R. I. School of Design for \$6,000, the fine little Interior of Guardi to Bernet, as agent, for \$11,300, the rich portrait by Palma Vecchio to Bernet, as agent, for \$3,500, and the portrait of Carolus de Mallery, attributed to Rubens, for \$4,300, to Warwick House, a dealer's firm.

Altogether the first picture sale of the season was a success a good augury. (Continued on Page 7.)

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Photo-Secession, 291 Fifth Ave.—Water Colors and Drawings by Georgia S. Engelhard and Pictures by a Group to Dec. 20. Reinhardt Galleries, 565 Fifth Ave.—Portraits by James Montgomery Flagg, to Dec. 9.

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American Art Galleries, Madison Square South.—Collection Old English and American China, Rare Color-Glass, Pottery, Pewter and Copper formed by Mr. Frederick J. Williamson, Dec. 4-8. Collection Rare Old Velvets, Brocades and Embroideries, Fine Antique Laces, Old Fans, Antique Silver, Old Spanish Illuminated MSS. and other rare objects, by order of Mr. Arthur Blackborne of London, Dec. 18-20 af'ts., Exhibition, from Dec. 9.

Americana, Rare First Editions, Illuminated MSS., Sporting and Colored Plate Books, and Standard Sets from important sources, including Library of Mrs. John H. Osborne, of Albany, N. Y., and a portion of that of Dr. Carlos E. Godfrey, of Trenton, N. J., Dec. 13-15, Exhibition from Dec. 11.

Anderson Galleries, Madison Ave. at 40 St.—Collection of American Autographs, aft., Dec. 4.—Library of the late Charles F. Daly, aft. and eve'sgs., Dec. 5-6.—Part II of the library of Inscribed Books formed by James Carleton Young, af'ts., Dec. 11-14.—Oriental Art Collection of Vance Thompson, af'ts., Dec. 7-9.—French Engravings of the XVIII Century from the collection of Frederick R. Halsey, eve'sgs., Dec. 11-15.

Clarke's Art Rooms, 5 W. 44 St.—Fung Tang Chinese Porcelain's, af'ts., Dec. 6 and following days.

C. F. Libbie & Co., 597 Washington St., Boston.—Part V of the Americana of the late John B. Pearce, Dec. 14-15.

Scott and O'Shaughnessy, Inc.—The Collectors Club, 30 E. 42 St.—Americana morning, Dec. 8.

Silo's Fifth Ave. Art Galleries, 546 Fifth Ave.—Oil Paintings of the XV, XVI, XVII and XVIII centuries, eve'sgs., Dec. 7-8.

J. SELIGMANN'S SALT CELLARS.

A pair of Limoges enamel salt cellars, according to a special cable to the "Sun," dated London, Nov. 26, which for years formed part of the famous Fountaine collection of Narford Hall, Norfolk, has been purchased by Mr. Jacques Seligmann, of New York and Paris.

This pair ranks among the finest in existence. They brought 430 guineas (\$2,258) at the Fountaine sale in 1884. At Christie's, in 1913, they were sold to a London dealer for more than \$18,000. The price paid now is understood to be a considerable advance over this price.

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The following is a list of the pictures sold Nov. 27, with the numbers, artists' names, titles and sizes in inches, first height then width, the names of the buyers, where obtainable, and the prices:

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| Tuscan School, XV Century, Painted Cross (Wood), 18 1/10x13, A Kingsley Porter.... | \$310 |
| Signorelli, Luca, Portion of an Altarpiece (Panel), 7 1/3x16 1/2, W. S. Greening.... | 150 |
| Signorelli, Luca, Portion of an Altarpiece (Panel), 7 1/3x16 1/2, W. S. Greening.... | 100 |
| Guttenbrunn, L., Portrait of a Young Lady (Copper), 16 9/10x12 2/5, H. F. Hally.... | 525 |
| Velasquez, School of, Portrait of a Young Cardinal, 19x14 1/4, L. L. Jones.... | 575 |
| Florentine Primitive School, Madonna and Child (Wood platter), 14x8 1/2, Berney, Agt.... | 2,000 |
| Della Porta, Fra Bartolomeo, Portrait of Girolamo Savonarola, 13 3/4x17 3/4, Lorenz, Agt.... | 2,000 |
| School of Giotto, Head of Dante Alighieri (Panel), 15x11 1/2, C. A. Ficke.... | 325 |
| Titpolo, Study of a Man's Head, 12 1/5x11, Berney, Agt.... | 2,100 |
| Titpolo, Study of a Woman's Head, 12x10 3/5, Berney, Agt.... | 2,000 |
| Previtali, Resurrection of Christ, 9 1/4x11 3/5, R. I. School of Design.... | 325 |
| Tommaso Fini, Madonna and Child (Panel), 11 4/5x15 1/9, A. Kingsley Porter.... | 725 |
| Gentile Massi, Madonna and Child (Panel), 15x12x10, Kleinberger Galleries.... | 4,700 |
| Dirk Bouts, Ecce Homo (Panel), 13 1/2x9 1/4, Warwick House (Gallery).... | 275 |
| Francia (Attributed to), Christ Bearing the Cross, 17 1/2x13 1/2, L. L. Jones.... | 300 |
| Campagnola, Salome with the Head of John the Baptist (Panel), 18 1/3x14 1/4, G. K. Stetson.... | 675 |
| Jacopo Da Pontormo, The Nativity of the Virgin (Paper), 16 1/2x16, Seaman, Agt.... | 525 |
| Jacopo Da Pontormo, The Nativity of the Virgin (Wood), Diameter 19 1/4, Seaman, Agt.... | 1,000 |
| El Greco, An Incident in the Life of Christ (Panel), 15 1/3x13 1/5, Ehrich Galleries.... | 950 |
| Ludovico Mazzolini, The Annunciation (Panel), 20 7/10x12 1/4, Berney, Agt.... | 525 |
| Nicolo Rondinelli, Madonna, Child Christ and Angel (Panel), 25 3/5x8 1/4, J. E. Aldred.... | 1,050 |
| Primitive School of Florence, A Crucifixion (Panel), 36x12, A Kingsley Porter.... | 850 |
| Pinturicchio, Madonna and Child (Panel), 22 1/2x15 1/2, R. I. School of Design.... | 5,700 |
| Zanobi Strozzi, Deposition from the Cross (Panel), 24 1/5x16 1/3, Kleinberger Galleries.... | 3,700 |
| Baldassare Peruzzi, Portrait of Himself (Canvas), 19x14 1/2, Warwick House (Gallery).... | 3,600 |
| Ferdinand Bol, Portrait of Rembrandt (Canvas), 20 1/2x24 2/5, Berney, Agt.... | 6,000 |
| Marco Basaiti, Portrait of a Man, 20x15 1/2, R. I. School of Design.... | |

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| Exhibition of Paintings and Sculpture of the Charcoal Club of Baltimore, Peabody Institute. | |
| Opens | Feb. 1, 1917 |
| Closes | Mar. 1, 1917 |
| Entries by | Jan. 15, 1917 |
| Last Day for Receiving Works..... | Jan. 20, 1917 |

Architectural League, 32 annual exhibition, Fine Arts Building, 215 W. 57 St.

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| Opens | Feb. 4, 1917 |
| Closes | Feb. 19, 1917 |
| Entries by | Jan. 2, 1917 |
| Works Received | Jan. 17-18, 1917 |

II Romanino, Portrait of a Young Man (Canvas), 25 3/5x20 1/2, Mrs. C. S. Lee.....
Palma Vecchio, Portrait of Aurelio Onigo (Panel), 24x20 1/2, Berney, Agt.....
Francesco Guardi, A Masked Ball in Venice (Canvas), 12 1/4x20, Berney, Agt.....
Primitive School of Florence, Early XIV Century, Tryptych (Carved and Painted Wood), 21 1/2x22 1/2, Kleinberger Galleries.....
Ghirlandaio, The Annunciation (Two Leaves of a Wooden Tabernacle), 10 1/5x3 1/6, Tabernacle, 11 2/5x6 1/3, Mordecai Benguiat.....
Sano Di Pietro, Madonna and Child (Panel), 28 1/4x19 1/4, Seaman, Agt.....
Rubens, Portrait of Carolus De Mallery (Canvas), 22x15 1/4, Warwick House.....
Dario Varotario, Portrait of a Man (Canvas), 26 1/2x24 1/4, Warwick House.....
II Bassano, Portrait of the Abbot-General Gregorio Barbarigo (Canvas), 45 1/2x37, L. L. Jones.....
II Bassano, Portrait of a Venetian Ambassador (Canvas), 37 2/5x46, R. Ederheimer.....
Sandro Botticelli, Madonna and Child (Panel), Diameter, 30 1/4, Seaman, Agt.....
Francia, Madonna with Child and Saints (Panel), 29 3/4x22 1/2, Ehrich Galleries.....
Burgundian School, XV Century, Episode in the Life of St. Michael (Companion to No. 1020), 33 1/4x27 1/7, Kleinberger Galleries.....
Burgundian School, XV Century, Episode in the Life of St. Michael (Companion to No. 1019), 33 1/4x27 1/7, Kleinberger Galleries.....
II Guariento, St. Michael the Archangel (Panel), 33x21 1/4, A. Kingsley Porter.....
School of Giotto, XIV Century, a Crucifixion (Panel), 31 1/2x17 3/4, T. Brunner.....
Sano Di Pietro, Madonna and Child (Panel), 40 1/2x19 1/2, Mrs. Benjamin Thaw.....
Van Dyck, Portrait of Augustine Lomellini (Canvas), 30 7/10x24 1/4, Warwick House.....
Fra Paolotto, Portrait of a Painter (Canvas), 45 1/2x33, Warwick House.....
Cristofano Bronzino, Football in Florence (Canvas), 45 1/2x33 1/2, Berney, Agt.....
Paris Bordone, La Bella (Canvas), 42 1/2x35 1/2, Berney, Agt.....
School of Giotto, XIV Century, Madonna and Child (Panel), 57x27 1/2, Kleinberger Galleries.....
Francesco Albani, Bacchanalian Scene (Canvas), 51 2/3x41 1/3, Berney, Agt.....
Francesco Albani, Pastoral Scene (Canvas), 51 2/3x41 1/3.....
El Greco, The Adoration of the Magi (Canvas), 52 1/2x38 1/4, Seaman, Agt.....
Bernardo Daddi, Triptych (Panel), 48x54 1/2, Kleinberger Galleries.....
Primitive School of Florence, XIV Century, Madonna and Child (Panel), 41 1/2x25 1/2, C. M. Woolley.....
Luca Signorelli, Incredulity of St. Thomas Panel transferred to Canvas, 57 1/2x53 1/4, G. K. Stetson.....
Domenico Beccafumi, Holy Family (Panel), Diameter, 64 3/5.....
Primitive School of Siena, XIV Century, Tobias and the Angel (Panel), 65 1/2x29 1/2, G. K. Stetson.....
Primitive School of Florence, Early XIV Century, Chancel Cross (Wood), 76 1/2x66 1/2, Mrs. C. S. Lee.....
Primitive School of Tuscany, Early XV Century, Saint Paul (Panel), 92 1/2x35, S. Bourgeois.....
Spinello Aretino, Saint Anthony (Panel), 90 1/2x35 1/2, R. I. School of Design.....
Titian, Portrait of a Venetian Lady (Canvas), 41x32, Berney, Agt.....
Titian, Lavinia, Daughter of Titian (Canvas), 42 1/2x34 1/2, Berney, Agt.....

Total \$200,190

Stubb's two stipples "Two Hacks" and "Two Hunters," and \$230 for the Wolstenholme Reeve aquatints "Woodcock Shooting" "Grouse Shooting." Knoedler & Co. paid \$625 for the Abbott-Ward "Portrait of Henry Collender," golfer, \$255 and \$230 respectively for the Sartorius-Dodd aquatint "Escape" and "Grey Diomed," and \$250 for the Stubbs' "Sharke." Mr. Max Williams paid \$340 for the Morland-Howlandson "Pheasant Snipe, Partridge and Duck Shooting." Mr. George T. Smith paid \$370 for the Marshall-Ward, print of the 1,000 gns., match between Sir Joshua and Filho da Puta New Market, 1816, and \$320 for the aquatint of "Epsom Races," 1818.

Daly Library Sale.

The late Joseph F. Daly of N. Y. who served on the bench in this city for nearly thirty years, was a student of the drama, and for a time Vice-president of the Players Club. He was a discriminating critic of the fine arts and a lover of books. His library, now on exhibition at the Anderson Galleries, will be sold in four sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday next. The most important work in the collection is Ireland's N. Y. Stage. It is one of sixty copies on large paper and has been extended from two volumes to ten by the insertion of 2,000 portraits, scenes, views, playbills, colored drawings, and autograph letters. There are also extra illustrated copies of other famous books, like Don Quixote, Granch's Virgil, the Diary of Henry Crabb Robinson, Davies' History of Holland, Butler's Hudibras, Bourrienne's Napoleon, Fenelon's Telemaeus, Stothard's Life, Vasari's Painters, Walton's Angler, the writings of Machiavelli, and Brayley's Theatres of London. Judge Daly intended to extra illustrate Milton's Paradise Lost and the works of Shakespeare, and to that end accumulated a large number of valuable engravings, and these are in the sale also. Judge Daly lived in New York City sixty-seven years, but he was a native of North Carolina, never lost his interest in the history of that state, and collected many rare volumes of Americana. He was also interested in the work of famous illustrators and collected books from Cruikshank's library and had fine examples of the drawings of Cruikshank, Rowlandson, Leech, Du Maurier, Tenniel, and other artists. While there are few great rarities in the Daly library it is one that appeals strongly to the reader of good books in fine bindings.

Autographs to be Sold.

The collection of autographs, American and English, now on exhibition at the Anderson Galleries, will be sold Monday afternoon. It contains a nearly complete set of the Signers of the Declaration, with many duplicates, a remarkable letter by John Brown, the original log of the Chesapeake at the time of her capture by the British, fine documents by Lincoln, letters by royalty, and many by famous literary characters.

Babcock Books Sold.

The late Charles Babcock's books brought \$342.85 at the Anderson Galleries, Tuesday aft. Mr. F. W. Morris paid \$842.85 for "The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge" and Jowett's "Dialogues of Plato" brought \$12.75.

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Vance Thompson Art Collection Sale.

The art collection of Mr. Vance Thompson, the well-known American author, is now on exhibition at the Anderson Galleries preliminary to the sale on the afternoons of Thursday to Saturday next inclusive. Most of the art objects were gathered by Mr. Thompson during his travels in the Orient. Limoges enamels, wood carvings, rare old china, embroideries, a collection of samplers and early American costumes, perfume bottles, jewel boxes, portraits in wax, chasubles, brocades, altar cloths, velvets, embroideries, and tapestry panels constitute some of the principal divisions of the collection, but the most important part is the collection of Chinese porcelains once the property of Poon See Shing, a Chinese mandarin who was a well-known collector.

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